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SUBJECT: PROPOSED SALE OF HELICOPTER TO THE ROC

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1. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED PROPOSED SALE OF HELICOPTERS TO THE ROC WITH MAAG. MAAG BELIEVES THE ROC NEEDS A MEDIUM TACTICAL TRANSPORT HELICOPTER DURING THE 1976-1982 PERIOD AND POINTS OUT THAT THE MOST RECENT JSOP (JOINT STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES PLAN) SUBMISSION ALSO RECOGNIZES A ROC REQUIREMENT FOR 32 MEDIUM LIFT HELICOPTERS OF THE CH-47 TYPE.

2. THE ROC WANTS THE HELICOPTERS FOR A NUMBER OF MISSIONS: LONG RANGE SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS, TACTICAL MOVEMENT OF TROOPS, MOVEMENT OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT (E.G., ARTILLERY AND HAWK MISSILES), ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROLLING, MINE SWEEPING, AND RETRIEVAL OF AIRCRAFT. MAAG THINKS THAT THE BOEING CH-47 CAN PERFORM SOME OF THESE MISSIONS.

3. THE ROC IS ALSO STUDYING TWO SIKORSKY-MANUFACTURED HELICOPTERS -THE CH-53, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME SIZE AS THE BOEING CH-47 AND CAN CARRY ABOUT THE SAME LOAD, AND THE SMALLER S-61, WHICH CANNOT CARRY AS HEAVY A LOAD AS THE BOEING BUT WHICH IS LESS EXPENSIVE
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AND IS THE ONLY HELICOPTER WITH EFFECTIVE ANTI-SUBMARINE

WARFARE CAPABILITY.

4. THE COUNTRY TEAM WOULD SUPPORT ACQUISITION OF WHICH
EVER HELICOPTER THE ROC DECIDES CAN BEST PERFORM
SOME OR ALL OF THE REQUIRED MISSIONS.
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